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Circular Letter No. 210

To: Superintendents of Schools and English Field Assistants

Re: INSTRUCTIONS FOR ENGLISH FIELD ASSISTANTS

Ladies and Gentlemen:

English Field Assistants are hereby requested to take note of the following:

I. Diagnostic Test

You are hereby notified that it will not be necessary for you to give the diagnostic test at the end of this year, as was stated in Circular Letter No. 152 of March 24, 1939. The test should be administered for a second time at the end of the first semester of next year. Please keep the diagnostic charts on file in your respective offices so that they may be available for use next year.

II. Reports of Work

In accordance with Circular Letter No. 152 of March 24, 1939, two more reports are due before the end of the present school year; one on May 19, the other on June 16. In order to simplify matters, both for you and for the Central Office, you are hereby instructed to submit only one more report for this year. This report should be submitted not later than June 2, 1939 and it should comprise the work accomplished from April 24 to June 1, as well as your proposed schedule of work for the last two weeks of the school year.

III. Hairsplitting on Pronunciation of Words

It is hereby suggested that English Field Assistants and teachers refrain from engaging in unnecessary, time consuming discussions on the pronunciation of certain words used

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in different regions of the United States. For a people learning a foreign language, it is necessary to set some sort of standard and we have selected Webster's New International Dictionary as our guide. Please use this dictionary as the final authority in matters of pronunciation.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) JOSE M. GALLARDO
Commissioner of Education